

MAINE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

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ERRATA SHEET

The Court's opinion certified on January 26, 2023, is revised to add a period after the words "not inconsistent with this section" at the end of the block quotation in paragraph 5.

The original decision on the Court's website has been replaced with the decision as revised.

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JABAR, J.

[¶1] Fair Elections Portland, Inc., and ten individual voters (collectively, FEP) appeal from a Superior Court order (Cumberland County, *McKeon, J.*) denying their M.R. Civ. P. 80B petition for review of the City of Portland’s decision to classify their proposed modification to the Portland City Charter, which would establish a public financing mechanism for city elections, as a “revision” of, instead of an “amendment” to, the charter. We dismiss the appeal as moot.

I. BACKGROUND

[¶2] The classification of a proposed charter modification as a revision rather than an amendment is significant because under the Home Rule Act,